

House, shall notify the Members of the Senate and House, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 3519

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title for the first time.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3519) to require sponsoring Senators to pay the printing cost of ceremonial and commemorative Senate resolutions.

Mr. REID. I now ask for a second reading, but in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The legislation will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or inter-parliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO REPORT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the Senate's recess, committees be authorized to report legislative and executive matters on Tuesday, August 28, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SIGNING AUTHORITY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that from Thursday, August 2, to Monday, September 10, the majority leader and Senators WEBB, REED of Rhode Island, CONRAD, and CARDIN be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO ASHLEY MESSICK

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I wish to take a minute and express my appreciation—and I speak for all Senators—to Ashley Messick, who sits right here in front of us and has for 7 years. Honestly, it seems she just came yester-

day. I really mean that. She has added a lot of vibrancy to this body, she is always pleasant, and she has always been available to me, even though she sits on the Republican side, and to everyone else.

So I am happy for her in one way: She is leaving because she fell in love and is getting married, and I am very happy for her. But we are really a small group of people at this front desk who do so much to make this place run properly. And even though she has been here 7 years, this is something I am confident will be with her the rest of her life. I am grateful to her for her attitude and her professionalism, and I wish her the very best.

ACKNOWLEDGING THE SENATE PAGES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we have had a wonderful group of summer pages. I am so glad we have these young men and women. As I have said a number of times and I repeat tonight, two of my grandchildren have been pages. It was a wonderful, life-altering experience for them. I now have had another—my grandson—as one of the summer pages, and he has had a great time. So I am glad we have the page program. They are helpful to us, and I wish them the very best. I hope their experiences are as good as my three grandchildren's experiences.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 2012, THROUGH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn and convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business conducted, on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Friday, August 3, at 10:15 a.m.; Tuesday, August 7, at 11 a.m.; Friday, August 10, at 11 a.m.; Tuesday, August 14, at 2:30 p.m.; Friday, August 17, at 11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, August 21, at 10 a.m.; Friday, August 24, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, August 28, at 2:30 p.m.; Friday, August 31, at 11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, September 4, at 11:30 a.m.; and Friday, September 7, at 12 noon; and that the Senate adjourn on Friday, September 7, until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 10, unless the Senate has received a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 59, which is the adjournment resolution, and that if the Senate has received such a message, the Senate adjourn until Monday, September 10, at 2 p.m., under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 59; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that the majority leader be recognized and Senators be permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each; and

that at 5 p.m. the Senate proceed to executive session under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if pro forma sessions are necessary—and it appears they are; the House turned down the adjournment resolution—Senators should be aware that starting Tuesday, August 7, the pro forma sessions will be held in Hart 216 while repairs are made in the Senate Chamber.

The next rollcall vote will be at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 10, on confirmation of the Rose nomination.

Additionally, this evening cloture was filed on the motion to proceed to S. 3457, the Veterans Jobs Corps Act. That vote will be at 2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, September 11.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10:15 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent it adjourn under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 10:15 a.m. tomorrow, unless the Senate receives a message from the House that it has adopted S. Con. Res. 59, in which case the Senate stands adjourned until 2 p.m. on Monday, September 10, 2012, under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 59.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 8:31 p.m., adjourned until Friday, August 3, 2012, at 10:15 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

THE JUDICIARY

PAMELA KI MAI CHEN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, VICE RAYMOND J. DEARIE, RETIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

CHRISTOPHER J. MEADE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, VICE GEORGE WHEELER MADISON, RESIGNED.

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

IQBAL PAROO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 22, 2017, VICE JULIUS E. COLES, TERM EXPIRED.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WILLIAM J. MIELKE, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VICE GEORGE D. MILDRAK.

ARTHUR H. SULZER, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY BOARD OF THE SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, VICE CHARLES E. DORKEY III.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ERIC KENNETH FANNING, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE ERIN C. CONATON, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. CHRISTOPHER C. BOGDAN